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SUBJECT: CIVAIR

1. Ambassador Ortona saw Assistant Secretary Leddy October 19 on instructions to transmit reaction GOI to issuance by CAB of show-cause order. He read from telegram from Foreign Minister Fanfani which stated: 1) Italy had intention to extend activities Alitalia within and beyond US so as to eliminate contrast between rights US grants UK, France, Germany, and Scandinavians and more restricted rights granted Italy; 2) President Saragat brought to President Johnson's attention political aspects and basis Italian expectations; 3) President Johnson said QTE would personally examine END QTE problem; 4) GOI awaiting results of this examination. Speaking personally, Ortona said he regarded it as QTE your right and even duty END QTE for CAB to issue show-cause order, but that it had come at QTE indelicate END QTE moment in light of President Saragat's demarche to President Johnson. Appeared President Saragat had received a QTE technical response END QTE which was ~~xx~~ an embarrassing outcome that could lead to renewal of tension in field of civil air relations with resultant effect on over-all relations.

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2. Assistant Secretary Leddy said he had heard nothing to link show-cause order and Presidents' talk. Said would speak to appropriate officials in Department.

3. Memcon being pouched.

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